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ABSTRACT

In this paper the facilities of Army to conduct clandestine operations is reviewed and the diminishing capacity is noted as occupation forces are withdrawn. In light of NSCID's and the growing capability of OSO/CIA it is suggested that OSO move forward to exercise the full powers of coordination previously assigned to DCI by NSCIDs.

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